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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is PTO-1449 containing a list of items that are being disclosed to the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (PTO) to supplement those items previously disclosed in the Information Disclosure Statement mailed 9/14/2001.

The Examiner is hereby informed that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a copending application and that the communication is dated not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement. 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1).

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The Examiner is also hereby informed of applicant's copending application --relating to the same or similar subject matter as the present application-- is PCT application Serial No. PCT/US01/10267, filed in the PCT on 03/30/2001.

All of the items listed on PTO-1449 are in the English language, with the exception of Item No, AM and AN marked with an asterisk. These items were cited on the International Search Report, Form PCT/ISA/210, a copy of which is attached hereto, and are being provided because the searching authority found them to be relevant. No further explanation of the listed items should be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,



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